



**Macatawa Area
Coordinating Council**

A Cooperative Effort Among Units of Government



WATERSHED PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 23, 2011

1:00 PM

MACC Office

301 Douglas Avenue, Holland

Agenda

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|| Rosemary Ervine, Chair
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I. WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN: REVIEW CRITICAL AREAS

At our last meeting we created a list of factors we would use to identify critical urban areas in the watershed and critical agricultural areas in the watershed. We have worked with FTCH to create a draft map of these critical areas and we will review the map during the meeting. Next step is to brainstorm best management practices for each of the critical areas to reduce sediment, phosphorus and E.coli bacteria.

II. PARK TOWNSHIP OUTREACH PROJECT

Mitchell Rhein, a Park Township intern from Michigan State University, will describe an outreach project he is coordinating for the Township. The target audience consists of residents living on Lake Macatawa. This project and projects like this will be discussed in more detail with the Information and Education Subcommittee which has its first meeting scheduled for June 30th at 3pm at the MACC office.

III. NEW SEDIMENT AND E.COLI SAMPLING STUDY PARTNERSHIP

The Macatawa Watershed Project has recently partnered with Hope College and the Outdoor Discovery Center to undertake a large sediment and E. Coli sampling project throughout the watershed. This expanded sampling effort is generously funded by local private funders led by the Dick and Betsy Devos Family and the Jim and Donna Brooks Family.

IV. GENERAL UPDATES

- a. *Local Storm Drain Stenciling Efforts*
- b. *MACC Staff Service Day, June 28th, Smalenburg Park*
- c. *Volunteer Monitoring Grant Awarded!*
- d. *June Newsletter Available*

V. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, August 25, 2011, 1pm